



---

9-13-2006

## Volume 98 Issue 4

Southwestern Oklahoma State University

Follow this and additional works at: [https://dc.swosu.edu/the\\_southwestern](https://dc.swosu.edu/the_southwestern)

---

### Recommended Citation

Southwestern Oklahoma State University, "Volume 98 Issue 4" (2006). *The Southwestern*. 274.  
[https://dc.swosu.edu/the\\_southwestern/274](https://dc.swosu.edu/the_southwestern/274)

This Book is brought to you for free and open access by the Newspapers at SWOSU Digital Commons. It has been accepted for inclusion in The Southwestern by an authorized administrator of SWOSU Digital Commons. An ADA compliant document is available upon request. For more information, please contact [phillip.fitzsimmons@swosu.edu](mailto:phillip.fitzsimmons@swosu.edu).

# The Southwestern

Southwestern Oklahoma State University's Student Publication

## Coffee house opens in October

By Jason Barr  
Staff Reporter

Southwestern will soon have its very own Starbucks. No longer will students have to leave campus to buy their favorite cup of joe.

According to Student Union Director Duncan Taylor, the first week in October is the projected opening date, but the date

is not set in stone and is dependent upon completion of the lobby area of the student union.

Once it opens, the hours will be 7 a.m.-8 p.m. Monday through Thursday and until 5 p.m. on Fridays. It will be closed during the weekend.

In the coffee house, you can expect what Taylor calls a "new age" decor, which includes a different color on

each wall, a fireplace, high tech lighting, overstuffed couches, wireless internet and seating for ten at the bar.

The menu is about "90 percent" of a normal Starbucks menu. Along with the coffee, pastries and gourmet desserts, hot sandwiches will be served. As of now, students are not able to use flex money, but Taylor said that they are try-

ing to get that changed.

Another great attraction is that it is completely enclosed. Taylor said it will "make it a quiet place for students to come and study." He also said that it looked as if Thursdays would be open mic night. Students can expect to enjoy a warm cup of coffee with local talent as a part of the Southwestern experience.

*and its name is...*

## Bulldog Beanery

The new Starbucks coffee house will be named Bulldog Beanery.

Bulldog Beanery was one of two names selected by the Collegiate Activities Board in a SWOSU student contest. The other name, StarBarks, was disqualified by the Starbucks company because the name is too close to their company's name.

Shameika Williams, chair of the CAB, said both students—Rachel Ingram of Springfield, Mo., and Krystal Wright of Ft. Worth, Texas—will win the contest prize, which is a flex card with enough money to buy three cups of coffee each week during the fall semester.

## Later start, later end

*Mid-week beginning of semester means finals ending closer to Christmas*

By Chad Gray  
Staff Reporter

Students have noticed that while most universities started classes on Aug. 21, Southwestern started Aug. 23.

"It is tradition for Southwestern to start on the Wednesday of the third full week in August," said Provost Dr. Blake Sonobe.

This tradition fosters a less stressful finals week, but keeps students in classes longer than most other universities.

The last day of finals is Dec. 20, while other Universities like Central Oklahoma, University of Oklahoma and Oklahoma State have their last day of finals scheduled for Dec. 15.

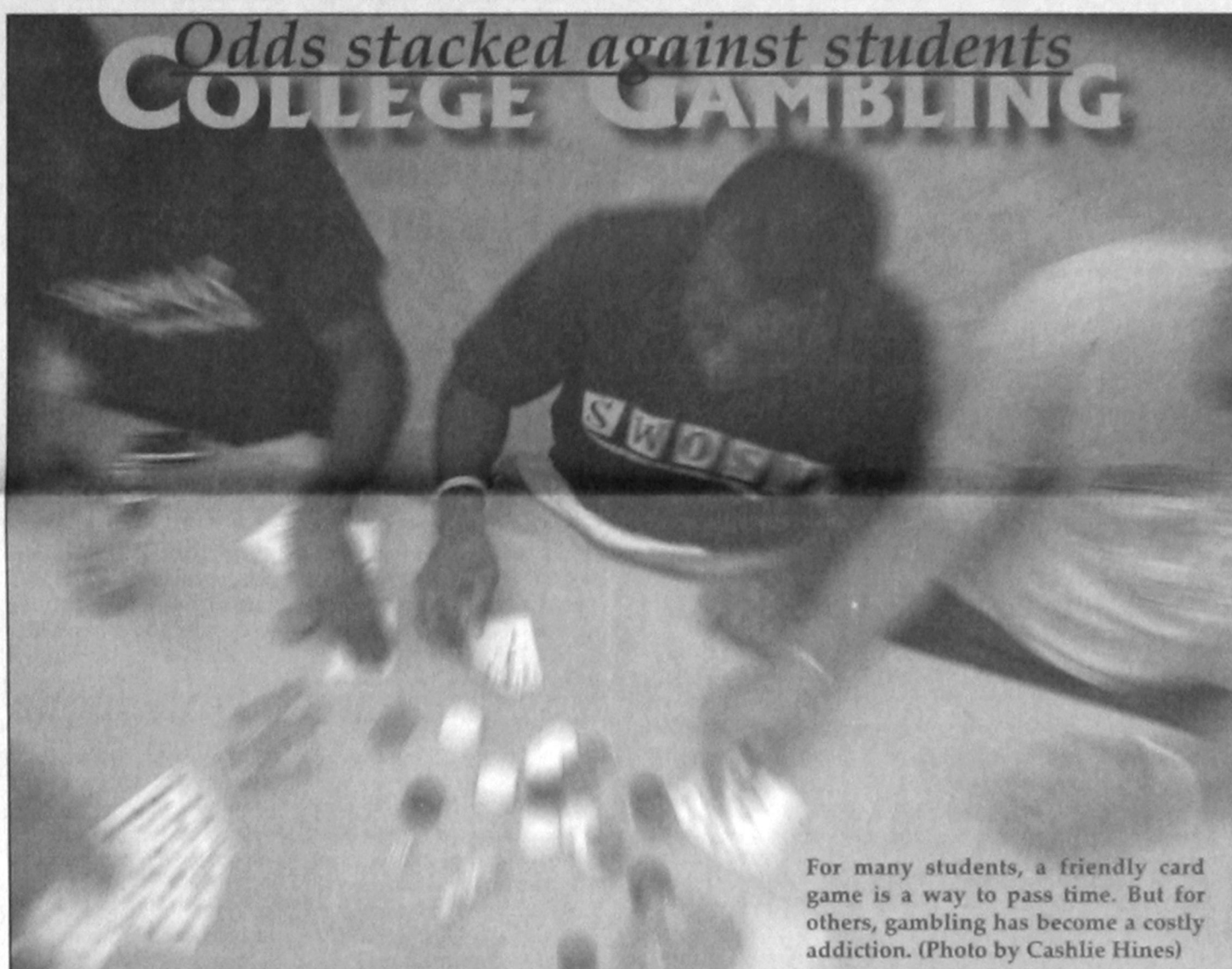
Southwestern's fall finals are split by a weekend, which "if not used for studying, just gives students a chance to recoup," Sonobe said. However, most other schools' finals are in one week.

This split in finals week can be beneficial for students under pressure, giving them a break between tests, but it can also be a burden for students ready to end the semester.

"Southwestern's schedule is created around spring break, which the Oklahoma State Board of Regents mandates must include the third Wednesday of March," Sonobe said. The Board of Regents also mandates that universities have 16-week semesters.

Southwestern must comply with the mandated spring break by scheduling 16 weeks of classes per semester and balance out breaks between semesters. The current academic schedule complies, even though the semesters start and end on unusual days.

"If any students have suggestions for the academic schedule, Southwestern's administration is willing to listen," Sonobe said.



By Stephany Speck  
Staff Reporter

Chase, a Southwestern student, started gambling as a child when he and his father would bet a single dollar on football games every Sunday afternoon. At the age of 9, his grandmother taught him how to play poker.

Since then, Chase's gambling habits have developed into a full-blown addiction where he went from playing weekend poker games with a \$20 entry fee, to entering \$500 buy-in games at casinos. At this time last

year, Chase was riding the high of a winning streak. Then it all came tumbling down.

Gambling in college is all too familiar. The college bettor is wagering money on the next football game, a hand in Texas Hold 'Em, or pulling on the lever of a slot machine.

The average college student is constantly bombarded by images of success through these methods, but tends to ignore how much money is actually lost.

With casinos allowing people 18 and older to gamble, many students

find themselves in danger.

Incomes on campus come from parents, savings from summertime jobs or jobs worked during the semester. With the freedom of college, along with the money flow into the pockets of young adults, it is all too easy to buy lottery tickets or play bingo.

The problem starts when these behaviors become habitual.

According to the National Council on Problem Gambling, "problem gambling is gambling behavior which causes disruptions in any major area

**Gambling on page 2**

## Homecoming preparations start, float entries sought



Students at the Foundation office send letters to the alumni in preparation of Homecoming 2006. (Photo by Ashley Calhoun)

By Maghin Merrill  
Staff Reporter

Southwestern Homecoming activities are set for Saturday, Oct. 28. All students and organizations are encouraged to be a part of this annual tradition.

Students or organizations wanting to participate in the parade should pick up a packet from the Dean of Students' Office in room 214 of the Stafford Building. All homecoming packets are due back in the Dean of Students' office by Friday, Sept. 29.

Red, White and Bulldog is this year's homecoming theme. A donation drive will take place to send care packages overseas to our troops in honor of the theme.

A variety of events planned for the homecoming include Dawg Fest, a centennial car and bike show, the annual parade, chili cookout, fireworks show and a tailgate party.

Krystal Keith, daughter of Oklahoma's own Toby Keith, will sing the National Anthem before Southwestern kicks off with the Bronchos from the University of Central Oklahoma.



## Gambling from page 1

Travis Speck, a 22-year-old poker dealer at Lucky Star Casino in Anadarko, said that college students make up more than a quarter of his clientele.

Speck said the students do not see the danger of losing even at low-bid games like Blackjack. He also states, "A player [playing blackjack] wins around 70 percent of the time and loses around 30 percent of the time, but when he loses, he loses big. A lot of the time, people don't know when to stop."

Speck has seen many young people fall into the trap of "not knowing when to stop."

many young people fall into the trap of "not knowing when to stop."

Chase is a perfect example of just how much someone can lose.

A year ago, Chase entered more games, playing with higher stakes than before. Soon, his winning streak ran dry, forcing him to draw from other means of income. He not only dipped into his savings, but also cashed out stock his parents had accumulated in his name.

He was, as the poker savvy call it, "going on tilt," meaning his luck rapidly changed and he was becoming desperate.

As the only source of income, Chase relied heavily on his luck and winnings. He turned to blackjack and

slot machines for refuge.

He was not concerned with winning big these ways, but was just trying to break even. During the three months Chase struggled through his addiction, he lost over \$16,000.

It wasn't until that fall, when Chase was watching a poker tournament on ESPN, that he realized he had a problem. A commercial aired a toll free number for people struggling with this addiction and Chase called. Although he is still battling with his habit, Chase has not set foot in a casino in over nine months.

If a student struggles with a gambling addiction, resources are available. The NCPG offers help and support with their toll free hotline or website. This assistance can be found at [www.ncpgambling.org](http://www.ncpgambling.org) or 1-800-522-4700.

## Enrollment numbers show slight increase

By Public Relations & Marketing

Southwestern Oklahoma State University's official enrollment number for the 2006 fall semester shows a 1.1% increase from the 2005 semester and, for the fifth straight year, Southwestern has exceeded the 5,000 mark on the Weatherford and Sayre campuses.

Southwestern President John Hays said the head count is 5,260, up 58 students from the 2005 fall semester.

"We are pleased with our enrollment number consid-

ering that the economy in western Oklahoma seems to be very good," Hays said.

"When there are many jobs available, enrollment typically goes down at higher educational institutions."

Preliminary numbers from universities and colleges across Oklahoma indicate several of them are experiencing drops in enrollment this fall.

Southwestern started classes on August 23. The 2006 fall semester ends this year on December 22. The 2007 spring semester will begin on January 11.

## Entries accepted for Gooberfest

Entries are now being accepted for a parade and arts/crafts exhibit that will take place at GooberFest, a peanut harvest celebration being planned October 7 in Colony.

John Parrish, director of the event, said anyone interested in either the parade or arts/crafts exhibit should contact him at (580) 774-3766. Parade entry forms are available in Room 205 and 207 of the Administration Building. GooberFest is presented by SWOSU in cooperation with the City of Colony and the GooberFest Committee, chaired by Doug Misak.

The parade is planned for 10 a.m. on October 7 in Colony, while the arts and crafts exhibit will take place throughout the day.

# KCCU

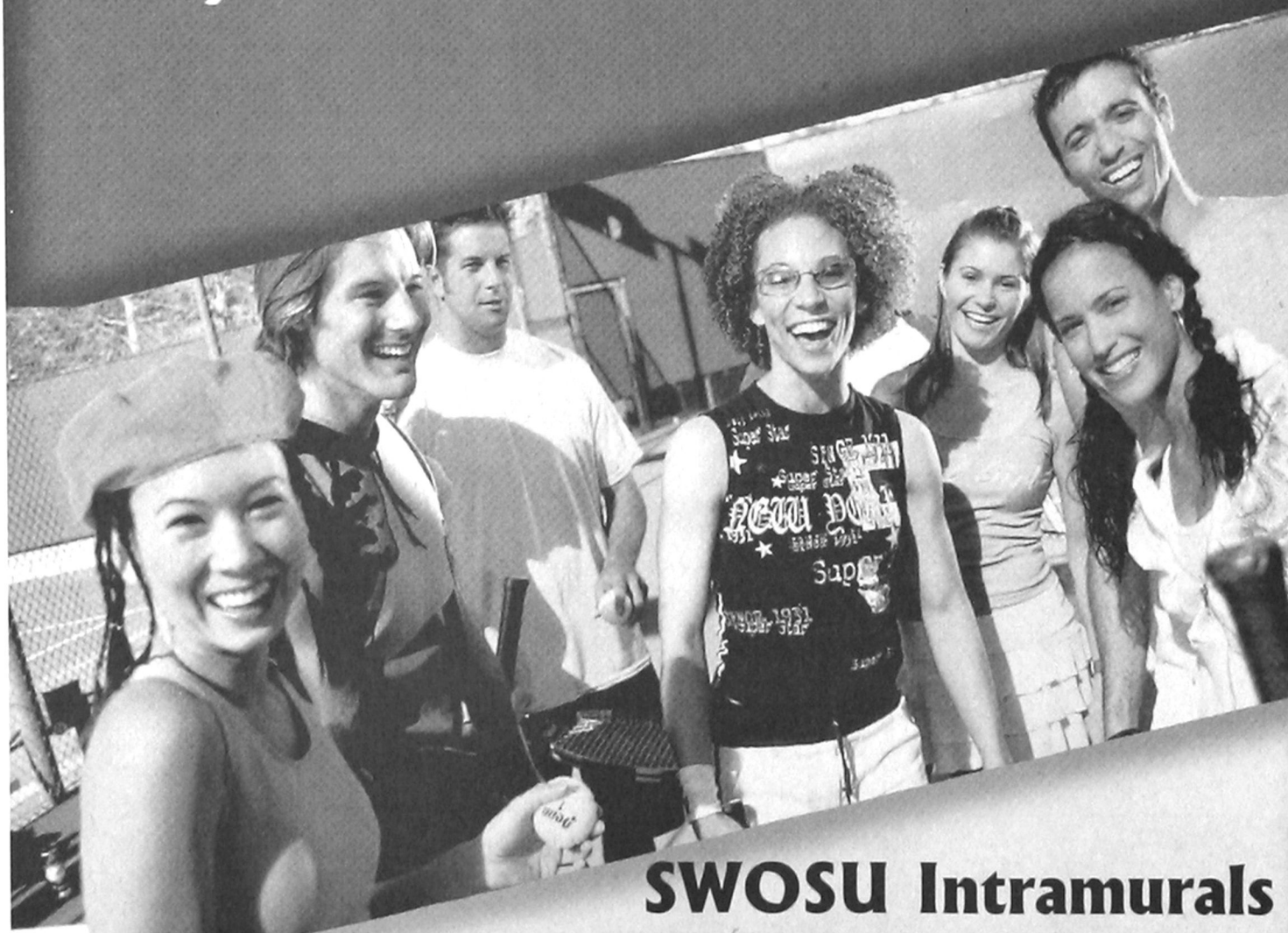
## 89.1 mhz

Public Radio for Western Oklahoma

Morning Edition - All Things Considered  
Classical Music - Performance Today  
Day to Day - Filmscapes  
Car Talk - A Prairie Home Companion  
Piano Jazz - Riverwalk Jazz  
Thistle & Shamrock - Bravo Baroque

n p r

# KNOWN SIDE EFFECTS: FUN, FITNESS & FRIENDS.



## SWOSU Intramurals USA Team Tennis - Fall 2006

September 6 – October 11 • Wednesdays  
7-8:30pm • SWOSU Tennis Complex



OFFICIAL SITE



Sign up at the Intramural Office in the HPER Building or at [www.swosu.edu](http://www.swosu.edu). Click on Current Students and then Intramurals. Contact the Intramural Office at 774-3214 or [intramural@swosu.edu](mailto:intramural@swosu.edu), or call Bruce Belanger at 819-1504.

- FREE T-shirt
- Great Exercise
- Weekly Prizes
- Learn Skills
- Match Play-by Ability Level
- Socialize with Friends
- End of Season Party
- Enjoy TENNIS...

## THE Southwestern

Fall 2006 Staff

Co-Editors..... Sharmina Manandhar and Brandi Nabors  
News Editor..... Lynsie Baskin  
Features Editor..... Dawn Nauman  
Copy Editor ..... Kristy Wilson  
Advertising Manager..... Maghin Merrill  
Advertising Representatives..... Bridgette Brownback and Hadley Mitchell  
Photographers..... Jonathan Bost, Bigyan Koirala and Melody Bowen

News Reporting Staff..... Jason Barr, Mitchell Craiger, Darlene Gibley, Chad Gray, Kelli Herbel, Ashley Kehl, Abdollah Lawal, Maghin Merrill, Randall Pemberton, Nathaniel Perry, Jesus Rosales, Stephany Speck, Kayce Weldon

Section Editing Staff..... Ashly Adair, Ashley Calhoun, Ariana Farris, Kelli Herbel, Cashlie Hines, Daryl Hyde, Leandra Mallory, Katherine Martin, Jennifer McDaniel, Nicholas Muller, Kara Paschal, Randall Pemberton, Jessica Rosson, Marie Snuib, Stephany Speck, Doris Wandrie, Kayce Weldon

THE SOUTHWESTERN is the student publication of Southwestern Oklahoma State University. It is published every Wednesday during the fall and spring semesters, except during holidays and finals week. Students in the editing class serve as section editors, and students in the news gathering and reporting class serve as writers.

The editorial board meets every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. in the journalism lab, Campbell 211.

THE SOUTHWESTERN encourages comments from the student body, faculty and administration in the form of letters to the editor. All letters must include a name for consideration however, the name may be withheld upon request.

The opinions expressed within signed editorials are the opinions of the writers; the opinions expressed in unsigned, board editorials are the opinions of the staff. Neither is necessarily the opinion of the university administration, staff or faculty.

### MAILING ADDRESS:

The Southwestern  
Southwestern Oklahoma State University  
100 Campus Drive  
Weatherford, OK 73096

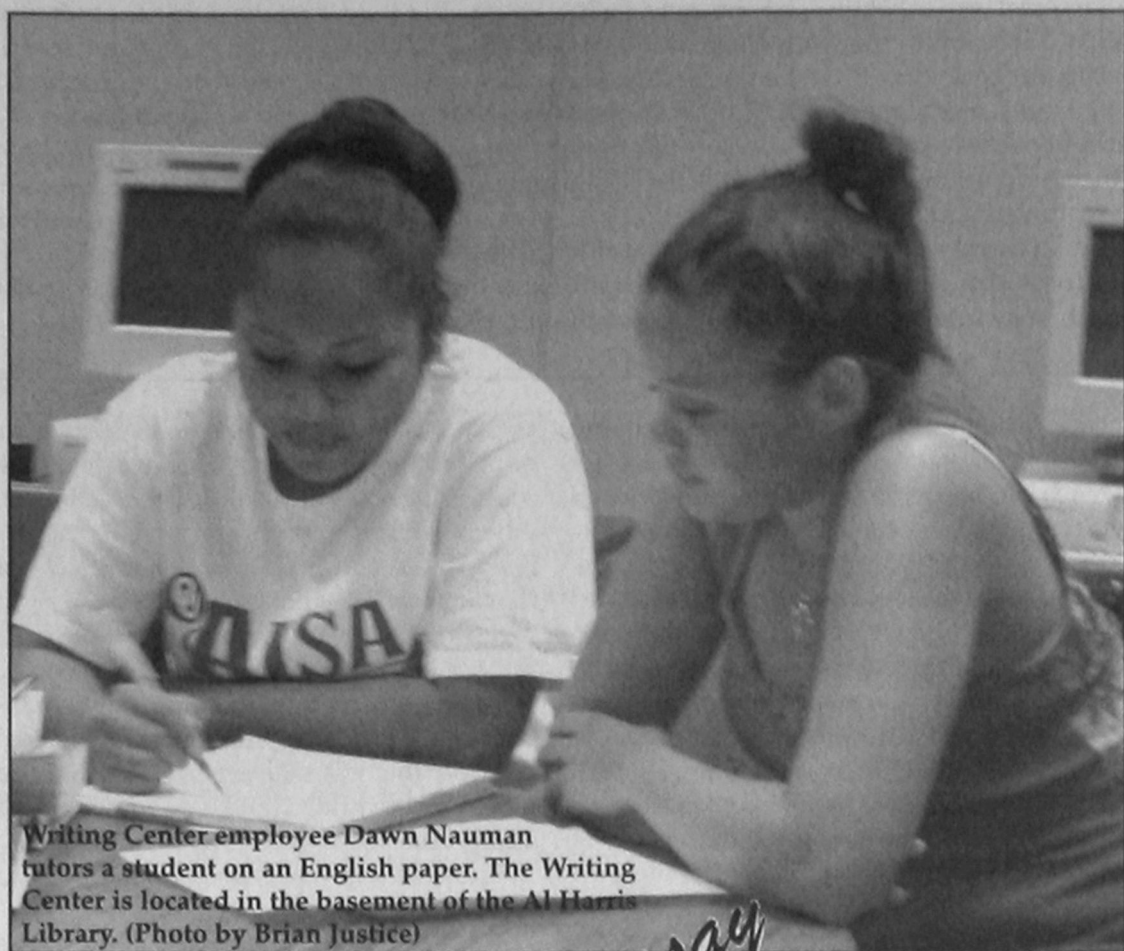
### TELEPHONE:

(580) 774 - 3045

### E-MAIL:

[thesouthwestern@swosu.edu](mailto:thesouthwestern@swosu.edu)





Writing Center employee Dawn Nauman tutors a student on an English paper. The Writing Center is located in the basement of the Al Harris Library. (Photo by Brian Justice)

## Center helps with ~~essay~~ problems

By Darlene Gible  
Staff Reporter

Southwestern's Writing Center can help student with essay problems.

For all students, these tutors offer free help ranging from developing introductions and conclusions to fixing grammar problems.

At present, seven tutors work at the writing center, which is located in the basement of the Al Harris Library, Room B-3.

English professor Dr.

Valerie Reimers, the supervisor of the Writing Center, said more tutors will be available when they finish the required Peer Tutoring Course.

Reimers encourages faculty to send students who need help. Tutors will go over students' essays and offer advice on how to fix them. Students can also e-mail or phone for help, but Reimers encourages them to meet with the tutors.

International Students and students with disabili-

ties are also encouraged to come to the Writing Center. Reimers said several international students who sought assistance with entry essays to their fields of study were admitted.

One student was so grateful to the center he brought Subway cookies to the tutors and made two trips to ensure everybody had a cookie.

Students can call 580-774-7083 for an appointment or e-mail [www.writingcenter@swosu.edu](mailto:www.writingcenter@swosu.edu).

## Student television show returns

By Kelli Herbel  
Staff Reporter

The first episode of Southwestern's student-run television show aired Monday night and will be replayed at 7 p.m. Thursday on local cable channel 20. The show has a new director, new name and a new focus.

Cody Gregory, mass communications major, has stepped up to the challenge of directing this season.

Cody has named the show SWASSOO by spelling out how the students refer to Southwestern.

The new season will focus more on college students, with the first episode featuring freshmen.

"We are bringing back the college," Gregory said.

In addition to the regular sports and news segments, SWASSOO will include segments featuring students.

One segment, called

"Dorm Checks," is similar to MTV's "Cribs" and will feature real dorm rooms.

SWASSOO has no set cast and Gregory hopes this will get more students on the show.

Anyone interested in appearing on the show can e-mail Gregory at [SWASSOO@hotmail.com](mailto:SWASSOO@hotmail.com).

SWASSOO will air new episodes at 7 p.m. Mondays and replay that week's episode on Thursday nights.

## SGA meeting set for Wednesday

Newly-elected Senators to be confirmed

By Ashley Kehl  
Staff Reporter

The stage has been set for this year's Student Senate.

The results of last week's elections will be verified at the first Regular Session of the 61st Student Senate on Sept. 13.

The Student Senate is the legislative branch of the Student Government Association and meets weekly to address concerns and interests of students.

SGA President Garrett Kings says the Student Senate "is the voice of leadership and governance for all of us."

The Student Senate is comprised of representatives

from Southwestern's three colleges-nine representatives from the School of Pharmacy, 15 representatives from the School of Arts of Sciences, and 26 representatives from the College of Professional and Graduate Studies.

SGA Vice President Samuel Jennings said that with such a wide representation and a broad spectrum of ideas, SGA is better able to serve the students of SWOSU.

To better understand Southwestern's government process, take a look at SGA.

It is comprised of student-elected officials who are divided into three branches of government, which are

the executive, legislative, and judicial branches. The executive cabinet is made up of 14 members, including the president and vice-president. The newly elected senators will make up the legislative branch, and four judges serve on the judicial branch.

These officials labor to serve students in a variety of ways, including being a voice for students and their interests.

Jennings said SGA is a learning experience for everyone, "but also a way to attempt servant leadership. That's probably the most important thing."

To contact SGA, call 580-774-0615.

## Franklin nominated to court

By Public Relations & Marketing

Greg Dewayne Franklin, a senior criminal justice major from Midwest City, has been nominated by Student Body President Garrett King as an associate justice of the supreme court of the student body at Southwestern.

The court, which serves as the judiciary branch of the Student Government Association (SGA), is currently led by Chief Justice Jason Callan of Hinton who was seated on the court in Fall 2005. The addition of Franklin will bring the total

number of student justices at SWOSU to five.

"Greg has already accomplished much during his time at SWOSU," King said. "He is a dedicated student and a hard-working middle linebacker for the football team. Greg will be a solid representative of the university and its students and will bring a valuable perspective to the court that will benefit the judiciary's deliberations."

Franklin's nomination will be considered by the 61st Student Senate when that body organizes after the Fall student senatorial

elections. Nominations to the court must be approved by a two-thirds vote of the Senate.

Student Body Vice President Sam Jennings of Oklahoma City, who presides over the Student Senate, predicts a confirmation vote no later than September 20.

If confirmed, Franklin would join a court comprised of Chief Justice Callan; Associate Justice Brittney Goure, Oklahoma City; Associate Justice Dustin Biggers, Shamrock TX; and Associate Justice Robert Ford, Geary.

### More Than Medicine

Your 24 hour **On Call** Pharmacy

101 W. Main,  
Weatherford,  
OK 73096

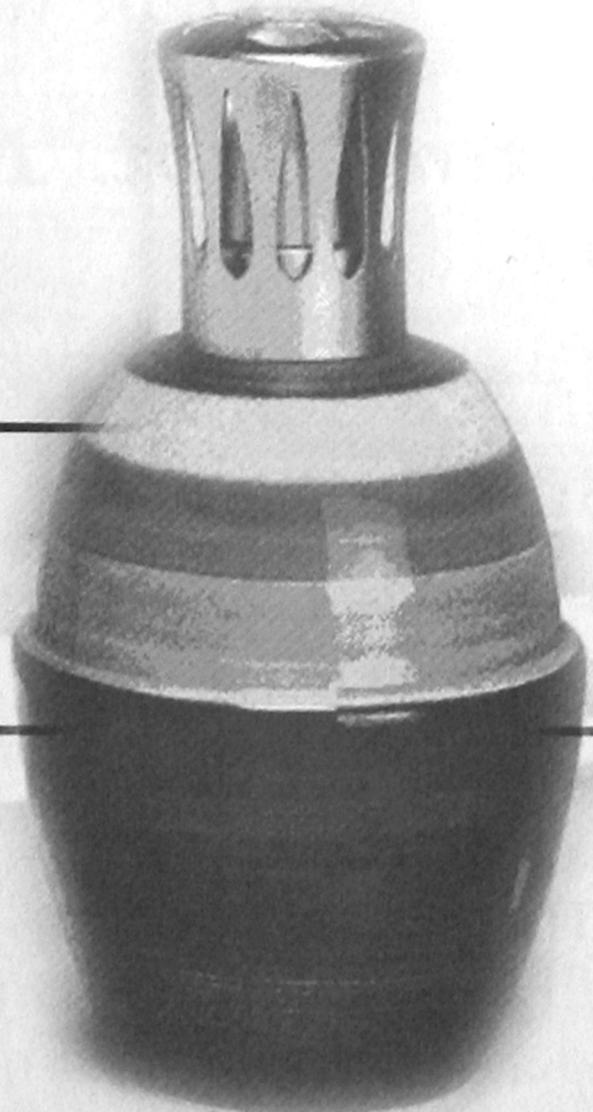
580-772-2781

800-600-7381

Lampe  
Berger

Fragrance  
lamp

Great for  
dorms



## More convenience

MEMBER  
FDIC

Take the hassle out of sending money to your college student with a checking account from MidFirst Bank. MidFirst Bank has 48 statewide banking centers with 37 located in college communities throughout Oklahoma. Whether your student is going to OU, OSU or one of 35 other colleges in Oklahoma, getting money to your student is as close as your local MidFirst Bank. Taking some of the stress out of the college transition, that's "More than you'd expect from a bank."

**STUDENTS**

OPEN A  
**UNIVERSITY  
CHECKING ACCOUNT**

AND RECEIVE A  
**\$30 VISA®**  
GIFT CARD\*

**PARENTS**

OPEN ANY  
**CHECKING ACCOUNT**  
WHEN YOUR STUDENT OPENS A  
UNIVERSITY CHECKING ACCOUNT

AND RECEIVE A  
**\$50 VISA®**  
GIFT CARD\*

**MidFirst  
Bank**

More than you'd expect from a bank®

1.888.MIDFIRST • [www.midfirst.com](http://www.midfirst.com)

\*\$50 Parent account offer is contingent upon both Student and Parent account opening. Limit one \$30 VISA gift card and one \$50 VISA gift card per household. Gift cards will be given at account opening. Opening deposits may not be transferred from an existing MidFirst account. \$100 minimum balance required for each account opening and to receive bonus. Annual Percentage Yield (APY) based on account type and deposit amount. Example: Performance Plus Checking Accounts, an APY of .35% is available on account balances up to \$2,499 and an APY of .45% is available on account balances of \$2,500 or greater. APY is accurate as of 6/27/06, this account includes a variable rate feature, and is subject to change. University Checking earns an APY of 0.00%. Other fees may apply. Fees may reduce earnings on account. Customers will receive a 1099-INT for the value of the gift card (\$30 or \$50). Bonus offer valid July 17 - October 31, 2006. Offer subject to change without notice.

UMPARENT06



## Just a thought by Brandi Jima Nabors



Brandi Jima Nabors

Another semester has begun and we gladly welcome the new additions to our campus.

The first and most anticipated addition is the completion of the student union. The Grill was completed last spring and received a warm welcome. Now the front end is almost completed and inside will

be the new coffee house. We waited since last year for it to be finished and now that time has come! Students will be able to enjoy the aroma and fresh drinks of the "Bulldog Beanery" in October.

Another addition to the campus is the construction to the Administration Building. Con-

struction began on the building towards the end of summer to add elevators to the building. I think that is a great idea.

Yet another great addition to the campus is all the new faces! Enrollment is up and our campus is looking great!

This looks to be a great year.

## Have we surrendered in the War on Poverty?

Somewhere in Oklahoma there is a father and husband, who if he is lucky, gets to wash dishes in a so-so restaurant, for \$6.50 an hour, for 40 hours a week. He is the sole provider for his family of five, which means he struggles to feed and clothes his children while paying for his wife's medical bills. They have no car, and he wears three-year-old shoes, so his children can have new shoes.

Stories like these often don't stop us from getting to The Grill just before they stop serving breakfast. However, stories like a water skiing squirrel or Lohan making another intoxicated "oops" will stop us dead in our tracks. Why? Well, pet tricks and a starlette's latest mess up isn't depressing and doesn't cause us to think about a problem that effects 460,000 Oklahomans, millions nation wide, but poverty does.

The federal government sets the current poverty threshold for a family of four at

\$19,806 a year. Nine out of ten Americans, however, think the feds are wrong. There are millions of Americans who live below this line.

Have we surrendered in the War on Poverty? Lyndon Johnson declared a War on Poverty in 1964 to create real social change instead of simply giving poor people money. Since then, 3.5 million Americans still live below the poverty line.

The current stance of the Bush administration is to cut funds to antipov-erty programs (like Head Start and Job Corps) and to increase funding to faith based organizations. This causes churches to take the responsibility for the War on Poverty rather than the government directly. However, with statistics mentioned above, it is safe to say that there aren't enough resources for churches and faith based groups.

Far too often, the popular opinion is that most welfare mothers step out of new Cadillac's wearing \$100 stilettos to collect their welfare check. This is nice to assume. That way we don't have to picture a hungry family, or if we do picture a starving family-it's their own fault. Nevertheless, just

because we are removed from big city living doesn't mean this plague of poverty doesn't reach the 64 miles to Weatherford or even farther to rural areas.

According to Thomas D. Rowley of the Rural Policy Research Institute, while 15 percent of urban kids are poor, 20 percent of rural kids are poor. The more rural and remote you go, the more poverty you're likely to find.

From here, it's not a far jump to imagine the children living in these homes are the most effected. I do think that the war in Iraq is important...whatever. But, the neglect of this nation's people has been going on for decades.

Why is it the government, within the last 60 years, couldn't invest in feeding and properly educating potential business owners and leaders of the future? As citizens we have supported this disregard, and then wonder why literacy, test scores and graduation rates have dropped. Poor families don't exactly have the leisure of choosing between the Harry Potter series or the new Leap Frog Learning System.

Here is a nice side note; the Laura Bush Foundation is a joke. Here's why-last year \$3 million was given to 600 different schools to increase access to books. This amounts only

to \$5,000 dollars per school. A hardcover book on the shelves of a library costs more than \$15, which is only a little over 300 books, which is a slap in the face considering the need is so great for all schools. Again just like faith based organizations, it's the right idea-there just isn't enough to make a difference.

This is a pathetic attempt at public relations rather than implementing a national program that will make an actual difference in the lives of children and families who can't afford books.

The government can and should do more.

What we as young voters and college graduates should do is: know the politics of our candidates, vote, and bring issues like poverty, education, and minimum wage to the media. I say this because if nobody knows about it, the current stance will never change. The time has long past that we have the option to ignore the plague of poverty that is reigning down on nearly four million Americans.

## And that's what I have to say ...



Dawn Nauman



The south area of the Stafford Center on the SWOSU campus was lined Monday with an impressive flag display in honor of the 5th anniversary of the 9/11 event that took place in New York City. The College Republicans, headed by Carissa Marquis, sponsored the display that features 2,977 flags in memory of individuals who lost their lives in the tragic event. (Photo by Jonathon Bost)

# Monday Night Football at The Office

sponsored by Jett Distributing and Wright Wradio

every Monday starting Sept. 11th

**free  
food!**

KWEY will be  
doing a live  
remote  
on Sept. 25th

**prizes!**

M-F 1:00-5:00  
Free Pool

**Come check out our  
nightly specials!!!**

Tuesdays 8:00-11:00  
Free Pool

Bands every Saturday  
Sept. 16, Friar's Point

Thursday, Sept. 28  
The Hannah Wolff Band

We have outside patio & horseshoe pits

Must be 21 & have ID to enter  
No Exceptions!

Now Hiring -- Daytime Shift



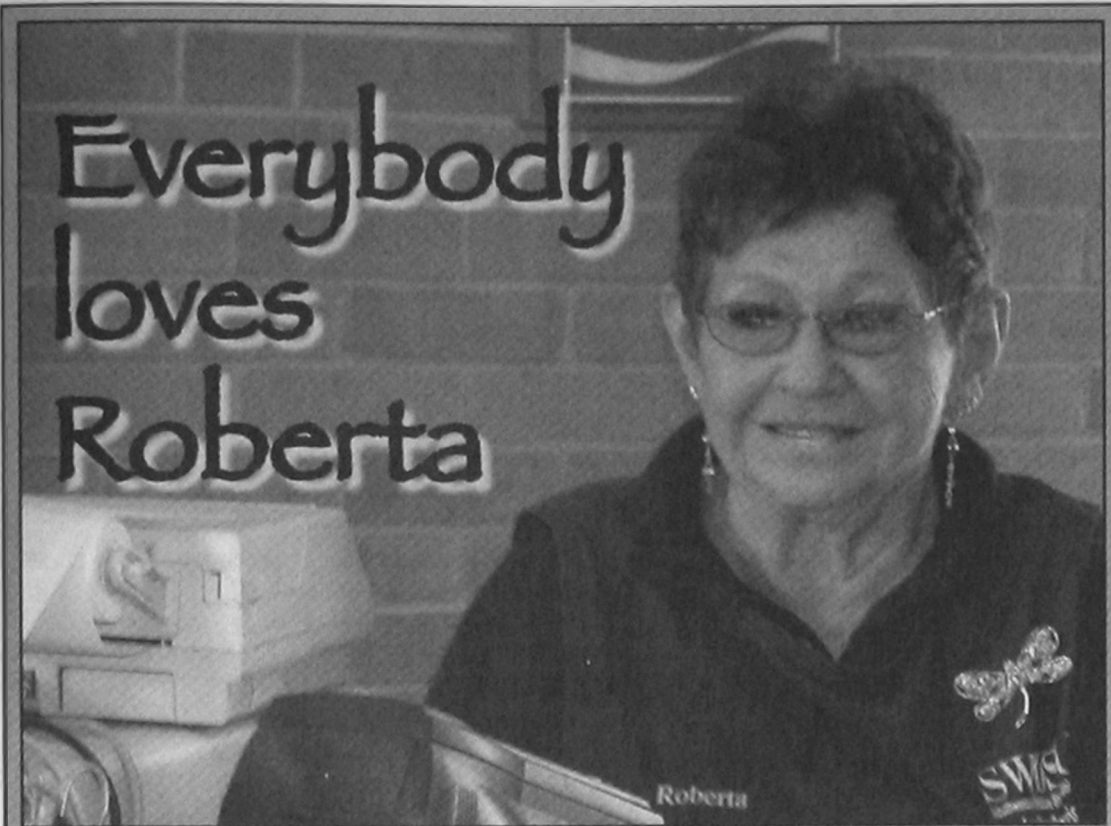
## Model UN class taking applications

Applications are now being accepted for students who want to participate in the Model United Nations program on the Weatherford campus.

Kenneth Tillett said a Tuesday evening class will begin September 12 at 7 p.m. and continue throughout the semester.

Credit for the class will be given during the spring semester.

Students who are interested should contact Tillett as soon as possible at (580) 774-7134 or visit his office in Room 101C of the Old Science Building on the SWOSU campus.



Roberta Williams has worked in Southwestern's cafeteria for 19 years. (Photo by Brian Justice)

By Adbollah Lawal  
Staff Reporter

Teachers, doctors and preachers are just some people that many students look to for support and direction in their lives.

The students at Southwestern, however, have a different person they look to inspire them.

They have Ms. Roberta Williams.

"If I am having a bad day or I am just cranky, Ms. Roberta always smiles and gets my feelings up. She is a friendly person who can brighten anyone's day," said Nate Perry, a junior

communication major from Wisconsin.

For the past 19 years, the cafeteria has had the honor of having Ms. Roberta as a staff member.

She started working in the kitchen upon first arriving at the college in 1987. Throughout the years, she worked her way from the food line to now greeting the students at the register.

She works hard at what she does with an extra flare of fun and happiness.

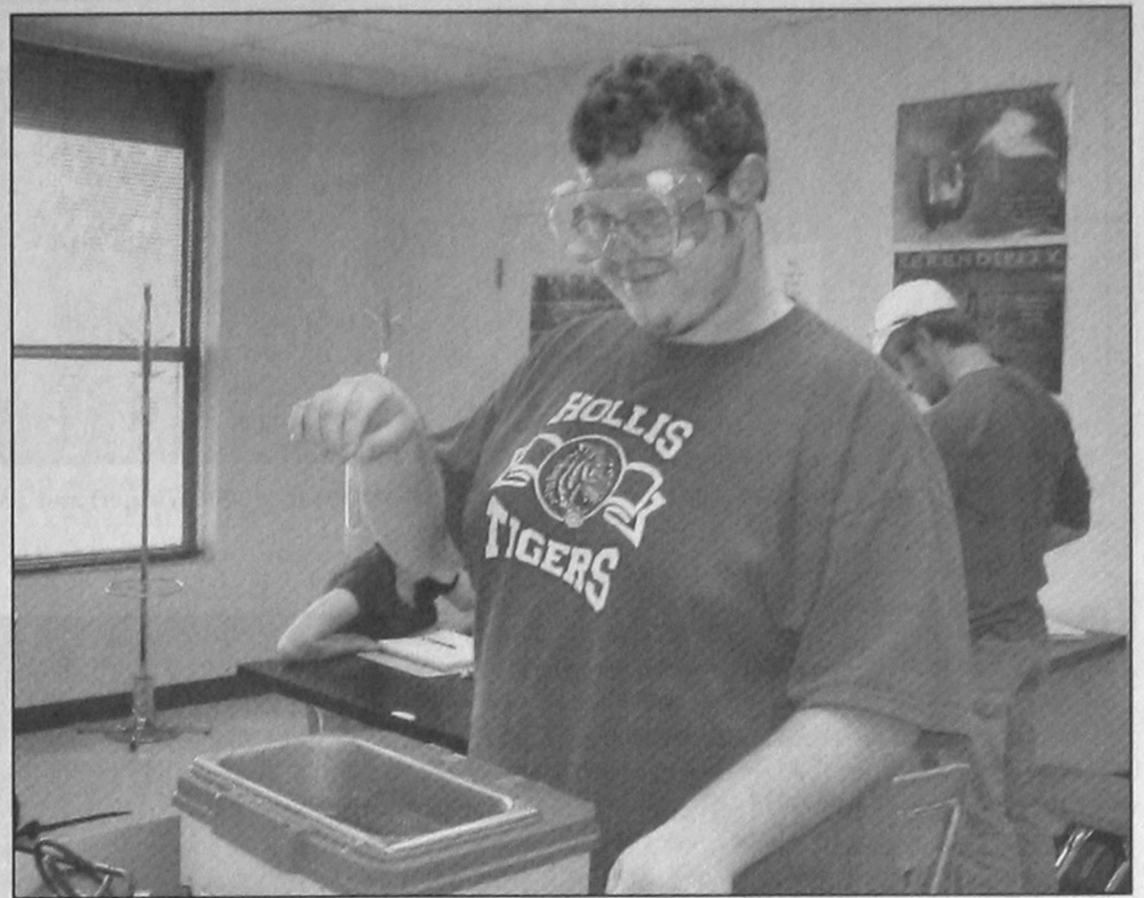
"I love working at the cafeteria because students make my day worthwhile," Ms. Roberta said.

She loves to speak one-on-one with many of the students she encounters everyday, and any chance she has she is willing to give a helping hand.

Her fondest memory is when the students made her queen for a day. It was Feb. 14 when they surprised her with this acknowledgment of her respect and honor for the students.

Ms. Roberta loves listening to rock and roll music, and she is a proud mother of three beautiful children.

She plans on continuing her worthwhile career at Southwestern as long as she can.



Jason Miranda works in the general biology laboratory. Southwestern's Biological Concepts class was named one of the best practices in the nation by a educational center. (Photo by Ashley Calhoun)

## Biology course gets top grades

*"reflects the best of college teaching"*

By Public Relations & Marketing

The Department of Biological Sciences was recently informed that its Biological Concepts course was identified as an example of best practices in a national study of biology conducted by the Center for Educational Policy Research (CEPR) on behalf of the College Board.

A total of 149 courses from across the nation were reviewed. Southwestern's biology instructor Sue Ball compiled the required information for Southwestern and submitted the report to the CEPR.

"This report took con-

siderable time, energy, and effort that Ms. Ball put into providing us the requested information," said Dr. David Conley, director of the CEPR. "Without instructor participation of this nature, we would have been unable to complete the study successfully."

The study sought to identify the best taught college courses that could be used to redesign of Advanced Placement courses in biology. The goal of the process is to ensure that AP courses reflect the best of college teaching.

To identify best practices courses, CEPR assembled a panel of national experts to analyze top courses from a

wide range of institutions. The panel reviewed the nominated courses and identified the critical components of best practices present in each course. The College Board then convened a commission in biology to develop new AP course descriptions, exam specifications and professional development guidelines for teachers.

The commission, which is meeting over the current academic year, will utilize the study's findings as a key resource to fulfill its charge. The final results of the commission's work will be AP courses that closely reflect the best practices of college courses in biology.

## Organization Corner

### American Society of Health-System Pharmacists

Officers of the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists for the 2006 fall semester are (front from left): Kim Le, Oklahoma City, fundraising co-chair; Rachel Adams, Choctaw, president; and Jaime Miller, Cabot AR, secretary. Back from left—Cassi Mettry, Wynnewood, president-elect; Donovan Fuller, Sand Springs, treasurer; and Ashley Rowe, McKinney TX, fundraising chair.

The SWOSU chapter is part of a 30,000 member national association, which represents pharmacists who practice in hospitals, health maintenance organizations and other components of health care systems.



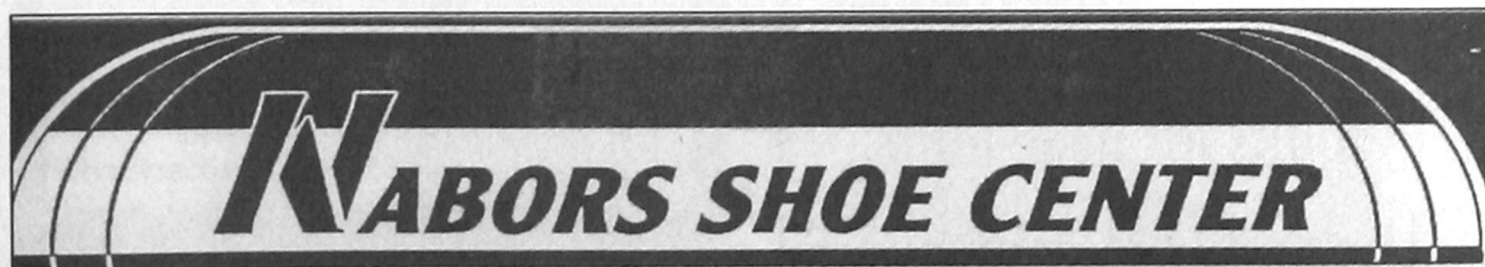
## Disability resource fair planned

Students are invited to learn more about disability programs and related services at the first Western Oklahoma Resource Fair on Sept. 26.

The resource fair will be free and open to the public from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Wellness Center.

Twenty-five exhibitors from state agencies and local non-profit organizations are scheduled to participate in the event. The event is hosted by the Oklahoma Department of Rehabilitation Services, in collaboration with Workforce Oklahoma and other sponsors.

Hot dogs and other refreshments will be served. For more information, call 772-5805.



Steven Madden, BCBG, Kenneth Cole, Kenzie, BC, Seychelle, Skechers, Royal Elastic, Vaneli, Puma, Tsubo, Converse, Privo

Spend \$25 and receive a punch on your Bulldog card!

• JAZZ • TAP • BALLET  
• Ages 3 thru Adult  
• Beginning to Advanced

**Kendi's**  
School of Dance

Serving Western Oklahoma Since 1991

Hip-hop and Jazz classes for SWOSU students call NOW -- 772-3938

**Uptown Market Place**  
Flowers or Gifts for all Occasions  
Tyler Candles -- "The Best Candle"  
Cash and Carry Flowers  
Your Wedding Specialist

100 E. Main Weatherford, OK 73096  
Monday-Friday 9:30-5:30 & Saturday 9:30-4:00  
772-2238 or 888-772-2238 toll free  
All major credit cards accepted-www.uptownmarketplace.com





Winners of the two milk chugging contests are (left) Paul Raupe (the 2005 winner) and Zac Stanley (this year's winner).

## Stanley wins milk contest

Zac Stanley won the 2nd annual Milk Chugging Contest held Sept. 7 by Rogers and Jefferson Hall.

The event attracted a large gathering of students. Stanley won the competition, competing against 25 other Rogers and Jefferson Hall residents. Stanley

drank a gallon of milk in five minutes and 21 seconds. Beating last year's best time by five seconds, he set a new event record.

R & J Hall Director Matt Bartel said organizers of the contest were very pleased with the turnout of contestants and onlookers.

The crowd favorite was Brad Jennings, a sophomore from Arnett. The 2005 champ, Paul Raupe, sophomore from Enid, won for drinking a gallon without throwing up. Bryce Flowers and Garrett Clark tied for most times to use a bucket.

## Spotlight on Students

### Charles Whetstone

Classification: Junior  
Major: Communication  
Hometown: Clinton

- 1) What is your hometown best known for?  
Football and hot dogs
- 2) What's your favorite ice cream flavor?  
Neopolitan
- 3) How many times did you have to take your driving test before you passed?  
Just one time
- 4) Favorite thing about SWOSU.  
I like how I know everybody in the world at SWOSU. Well, some.
- 5) 3 Things you can't live without.  
Music, clean underwear, dinosaurs
- 6) Who is your idol?  
Chris Katan



- 7) Favorite item of clothing.  
Jeans and coats
- 8) Describe yourself in 3 words.  
I am neat.
- 9) Celebrity you most resemble.  
Tom Selleck
- 10) If you could have any super power, what would it be?  
Reading minds of the ladies.

### Brooke Watson

Classification: Freshman  
Major: Mass Communication  
Hometown: Mustang

- 1) What is your hometown best known for?  
Beautiful ladies
- 2) What's your favorite ice cream flavor?  
Cold Stone's chocolate divinity
- 3) How many times did you have to take your driving test before you passed?  
Two (yeah, embarrassing)
- 4) Favorite thing about SWOSU.  
The friendly people
- 5) 3 Things you can't live without.  
Cell phone, chapstick, Ameri can Idol
- 6) Who is your idol?  
Oprah



- 7) Favorite item of clothing.  
Do shoes count?
- 8) Describe yourself in 3 words.  
Happy, enthusiastic, loud
- 9) Celebrity you most resemble.  
Madonna (ha)
- 10) If you could have any super power, what would it be?  
Reading minds

## BULLDOG BITES

What do you think of the Facebook "facelift?"



"I don't want everyone to see what I'm writing. It's too much junk."

Morgan Adams



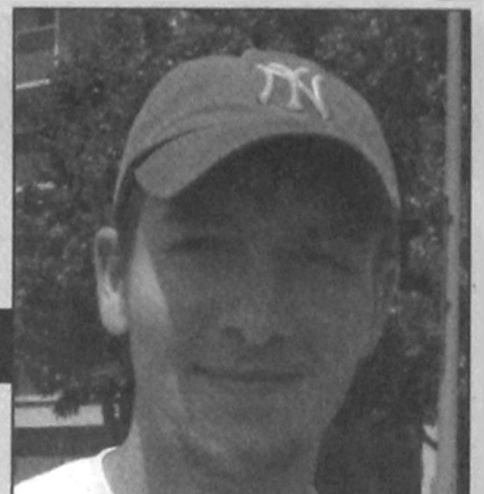
"I hate it! It makes me jealous."

Tenaya Calhoun



"Kinda interesting, but also kinda evasive."

Stetson Schmitt



"I don't really give a ----- about Facebook."

Caleb Wilkerson

**You still have time**

**CASH FOR BOOKS**

We know finals were hectic -- but we buy books all year long! Bring your books by and turn them into **CASH!**

**Ratcliffe's Textbooks**

Monday - Friday 9-5:30  
Saturdays 9:00 - 2:00

ratbooks@hotmail.com    www.ratcliffetextbooks.com

**friendly staff • plenty of parking • great prices**

724 North Custer Campus Corner    Just South Of The Clock Tower  
(580) 772-3387

It's all about Moi!!! • It's all about Moi!!! • It's all about Moi!!!

**Find out why ....**

It's all about Moi!!!

Bring this coupon to **Miss Trudy's**  
And receive  
20% off one Seven Jeans Item

**Miss Trudy's 109 N. Broadway**  
**Weatherford**

It's all about Moi!!! • It's all about Moi!!! • It's all about Moi!!!

**BRIDGESTONE**    **Firestone**

**C.J.'s Southwest Tire**

Alignment • Oil & Lube • Farm Tires  
Wheels • Exhaust • Brakes  
Tirestarz

Office 580-772-3132  
111 S. Kansas    24 hr. Cell 580-774-5427  
Weatherford, OK 73096    Fax 580-772-2979





Quarterback Jimmy Sangster advances the ball against Midwestern Saturday. The Bulldogs lost 31-10, evening their record at 1-1. Southwestern travels to Panhandle this Saturday. (Photo by Jonathan Bost)

# Milam Madmen return

By Kristy Wilson  
Staff Reporter

Milam Madmen T-shirts The Collegiate Activities Board (CAB) is selling Milam Madmen shirts to promote support at football games this semester. CAB President Sha-meika Williams thinks the shirts will improve school spirit and unity at football games.

"These shirts are good for encouraging people to get involved in activities at SWOSU and to show their support for the athletes," Williams said.

At each home game, Milam Madmen will get free items as well as a chance to enter different giveaways. CAB will be handing out thunder sticks, confetti clappers and bubbles. One item will be intro-

# Volleyball team wins pair

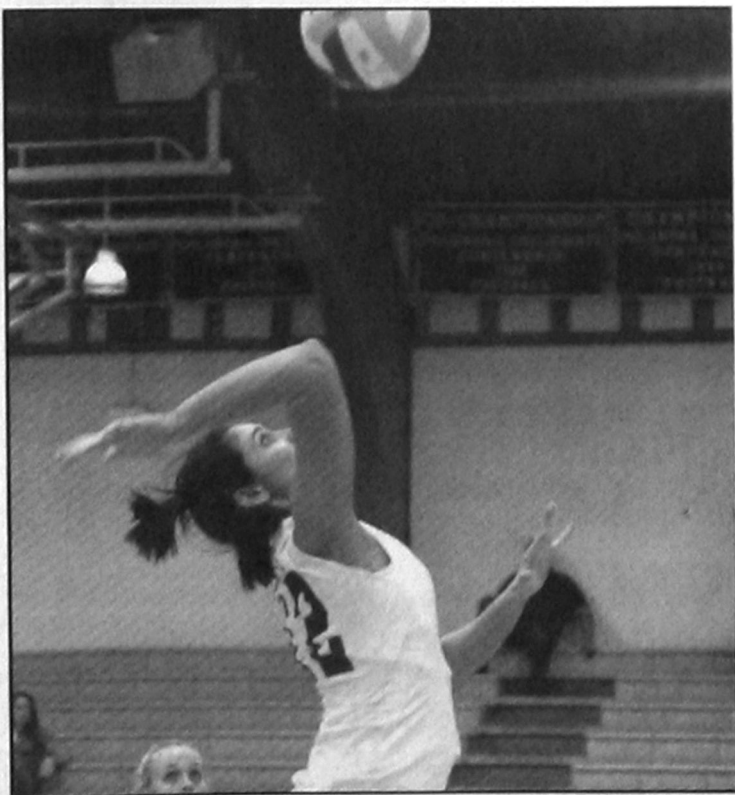
By Sports Information

Southwestern's volleyball team came up with the big points in critical stretches and pulled a much needed sweep over visiting Texas Wesleyan and Wayland Baptist University in a triangular matchup Tuesday in Weatherford.

The wins lifted the Bulldogs overall record to 3-8 and gives coach Bo Pagliasotti's team some extra energy before they begin a three-game set at the Lone Star /Heartland Conference Crossover Tournament this weekend in Wichita Falls, Texas.

The Bulldogs needed four games but got past TWU in a tight first match 31-29, 30-28, 27-30, 30-21. Tennessee Brown (Jr., MB, Peaster, Texas) and Kasandra Gurtner (Jr., MB, Cimarron, Kan.) combined for 28 of SWOSU's 49 total kills in the match.

In the second match against WBU, SWOSU swept the Pioneers in three straight 30-23, 30-28, 30-28. Ashley Claud (So., OH, Fayetteville, Ark.) and



Ashley Claud sets up for the kill during action against Wayland Baptist last week. Claud and the Lady Bulldogs won two matches. (Photo by Jonathon Bost)

Paula Harry (Jr., OH, Australia) had eight kills each while Staci West (So., OH, Collinsville) added seven.

In the second game, SWOSU trailed 28-26 before igniting late with four straight points capped off by an emphatic kill by Brown that brought a roar of approval from the

crowd. The Bulldogs again found themselves trailing late by a score of 25-23. Claud then came through with an open-court kill and the Bulldogs outscored the Pioneers 7-3 down the stretch for the win.

The next home game is Thursday, against Southeastern at 7 p.m.

# Bulldogs fall at home

By Sports Information

Southwestern Oklahoma State had the wind taken from its sails Saturday by Midwestern State as the Bulldogs fell 31-10 in a matchup of unbeaten Lone Star Conference football teams.

The Bulldogs were unable to generate the same type of spirited play that lifted them to a first game win last week at Texas A&M-Kingsville. SWOSU turned the ball over three times and could not move the ball on the ground against a stubborn MSU defensive unit.

Still even with the loss, SWOSU did show that it is a much-improved football team over last year's 1-10 squad. The Bulldogs lost to the same MSU team 49-0 last year in Wichita Falls, Texas.

"I know our guys are really disappointed at the outcome. We were expecting to win here tonight," second-year coach Ryan Held said. "Midwestern is a dangerous football team and they hurt us with their speed. We knew they would come up with some big plays offensively, we just didn't match that type of production when we had the ball."

Although SWOSU's offense sputtered for three quarters the Bulldogs did show signs of life in the fourth. Quarterback Jimmy Sangster (Jr., Macon, Mo.) marched the Bulldogs 80 yards in seven plays and completed the drive with a 15-yard scoring strike to wide receiver Michael Cooper. The point after kick was good and MSU's lead was 24-10 with 10:55 to play.

On MSU's next series SWOSU defensive end Joe Castle (Jr. Beaumont, Texas), who led the Bulldogs with 11 tackles, made three consecutive stops which forced the Mustangs to punt deep in their own territory. SWOSU

by the numbers		
	SWOSU	MSU
FIRST DOWNS	19	14
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	47-202	27-71
PASSING YDS (NET)	221	195
Pancho Att-Comp-Int	27-16-2	34-14-1
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	74-423	61-266
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	2-19	3-6
Kickoff Returns-Yards	1-31	4-68
Interception Returns-Yards	1-19	2-3
Punts (Number-Avg)	4-37.8	8-36.2
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	4-2
Penalties-Yards	6-70	6-44
Possession Time	33:13	26:47
Third-Down Conversions	6 of 15	2 of 13
Fourth-Down Conversions	2 of 2	1 of 3
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	4-4	2-2
Sacks By: Number-Yards	0-0	1-10

RUSHING: Southwestern Okla.-Reshard Dudley 15-50; Jimmy Sangster 3-16; Britton Nies 3-12; Jamall King 3-1; Steve Ihekona 2-minus 3; Michael Cooper 1-minus 5.

PASSING: Midwestern State-Rahsaan Bell 14-18-1-187; Daniel Polk 2-9-1-34. Southwestern Okla.-Jimmy Sangster 14-34-1-195.

RECEIVING: Southwestern Okla.-Michael Cooper 5-67; John Haggerty 3-56; Tyson Bryant 2-23; Patrick Weaver 1-23; Reshard Dudley 1-14; Kyle Kriek 1-7; Steve Ihekona 1-5.

INTERCEPTIONS: Midwestern State-Devon Campbell 1-19. Southwestern Okla.-Austin Wuthrich 1-2; Greg Franklin 1-1.

SACKS (UA-A): Midwestern State-None. Southwestern Okla.-Cory Summers 1-0.

TACKLES (UA-A): Southwestern Okla.-Joe Castle 5-6; Desmond Baker 2-2; Greg Franklin 2-5; James Vei 4-2; Jon Patterson 2-4; Charles Boldo 3-2; Ruzell McCoy 2-3; Perry Carr 1-4; Jonathan Thomas 1-4; Matt Steward 1-3; Eddie Walton 0-4; JaQuane William 2-1; Falante Hill 2-1; Ryan O'Shields 1-2; Cory Summers 1-2; Austin Wuthrich 1-1; Brandon Wicks 1-1; Steven Strobel 1-1; Terrence Hender 0-2.

return man Jamall King (Fr., Terrell, Texas) fumbled the punt back to the Mustangs at the Bulldog's own 37-yard line with 9:05 to play.

MSU then wiped out any chance of a fourth-quarter rally when Ulysses Odums broke loose on a 26-yard touchdown run to give MSU a 31-10 lead with 7:12 to play.

SWOSU finished with 266 yards of offense, more than half (134 yards) came in the fourth quarter. MSU ended the game with 423 yards of offense and run 13 more plays and had the ball

seven minutes longer in time of possession.

Sangster's passing numbers were hurt by several drops by his receivers. He ended the game completing just 14-of-34 passes for 195 yards and one touchdown.

Defensive back Desmond Baker (So., Garland, Texas) had eight tackles and forced a fumble on what would have been a sure MSU touchdown.

The Bulldogs will next play Saturday, Sept. 16 at Panhandle State University. Kickoff is set for 7 p.m. in Goodwell.

# Soccer team hosts weekend games

By Public Relations & Marketing

Southwestern Oklahoma State heads into a critical point of its 2006 women's soccer season as the Bulldogs prepare to host conference rival Northeastern State Friday and regional opponent Ouachita Baptist on Sunday.

SWOSU enters the weekend twinbill with a 3-2-1 record after playing a pair of matches at in Topeka, Kan. SWOSU battled Southwest Baptist to a 0-0, double-overtime draw on Friday and then lost to the host, Washburn, 4-1 on Saturday.

SWOSU coach Joe Bradley said although the lopsided

loss against Washburn was disappointing there were still a few bright spots primarily with the play of newcomers Robin Reidle (Jr., Rose Hill, Kan.) and Meghan Vance (Fr., Mustang).

"Robin and Meghan had some really good moments for us this weekend," Bradley said.

"They stepped up their level of play which allowed us to do some different things that will eventually make us better."

While Reidle and Vance were noted for their improved play, Bradley said he would most like to see improvement in the team's attacking game.

"We need to get better

at moving the ball up front and putting more pressure on our opponents when we have scoring opportunities," Bradley said. "Goals just don't happen by accident."

Carrie Dumbauld (Jr., Fort Worth, Texas) and Cheryl Pritchett (Sr., Del City) have been the team's top goal scorers through the first six games. Dumbauld scored three goals in the opening win against St. Gregory's while Pritchett scored goals in each of the last two wins against Northwestern Oklahoma and East Central.

NSU is 2-3-2 on the year and feature one of the Lone Star Conference's top goal scorers in Charlotte Dinsdall.

# Ingram cruises to meet title

Southwestern cross country star Rachel Ingram was the runaway winner at the East Central University Tiger Chase racing past a field of 52 participants to claim the individual title.

Ingram, a junior from Springfield, Mo., blistered the five-kilometer course at the Pontotoc Technology Center in a time of 18 minutes and 45 seconds and finished 38 seconds ahead of her nearest pursuer.

Ingram has been beaten only by two runners this year, both international runners from Kenya who compete for Texas Tech and South Plains Junior College.

Stefanie Jones, junior from Fort Smith, Ark., had her second straight top 10 finish for the Bulldogs by placing third in the meet. She covered the course in a time of 19:26, only three seconds behind second-place runner Evelyn Berko of Central Oklahoma.

As a team, SWOSU finished fourth among the seven squads entered with 88 points. UCO won the meet thanks to having four runners finish in the top 10 and a fifth one in 13th place. The Bronchos had 39 points while second-place Oklahoma Christian had 61 and Midwestern State was third with 67 points.



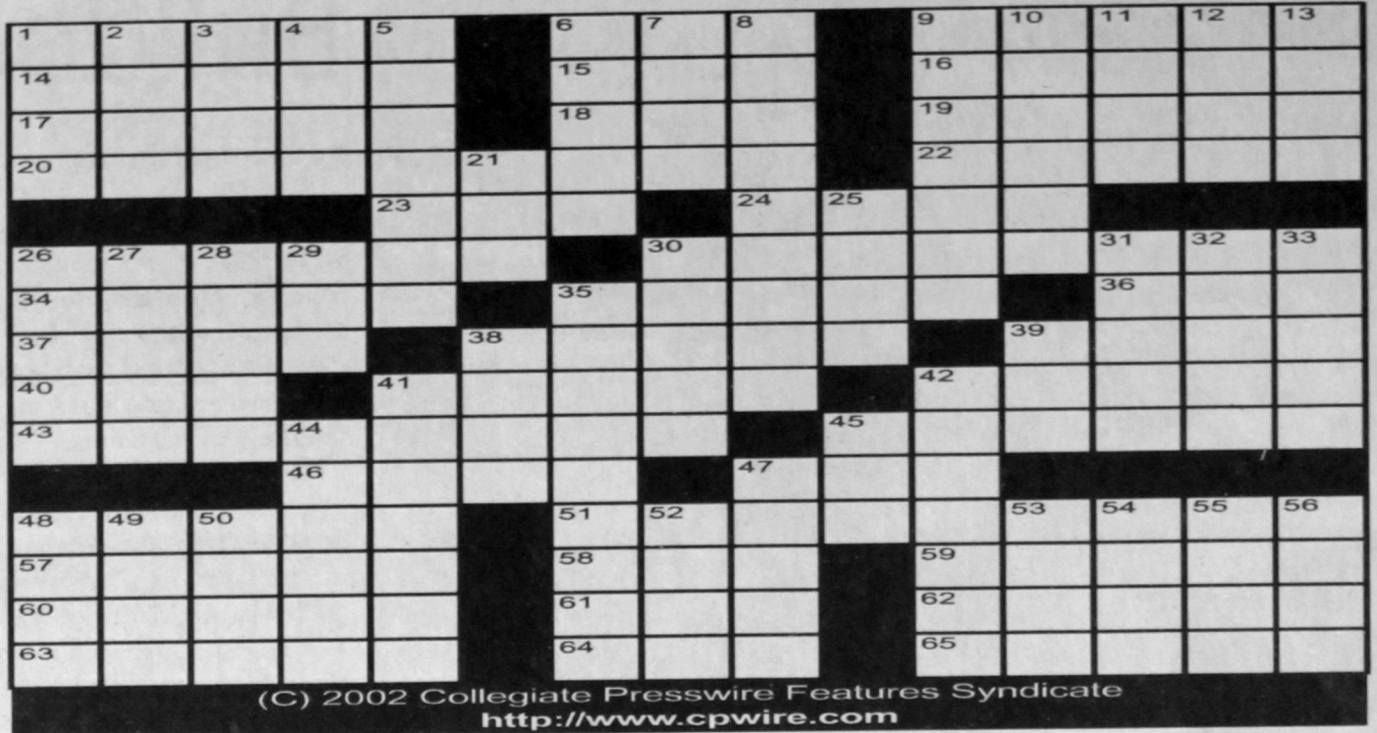


## ACROSS

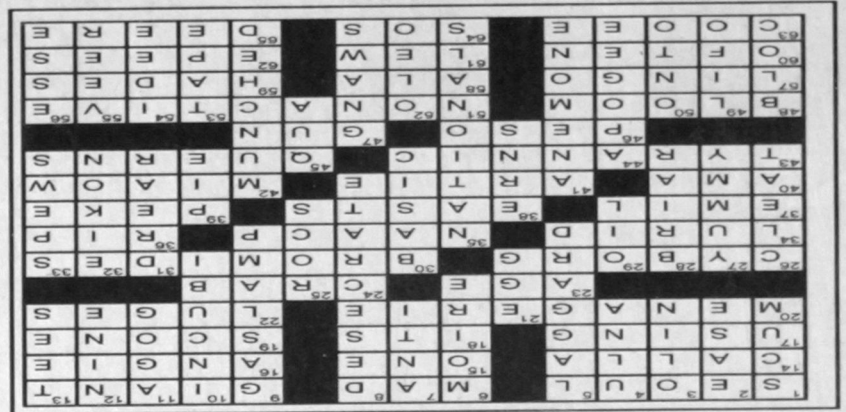
1. Site of 1988 Olympics
6. \_\_\_ Hatter
9. Huge
14. Type of lily
15. U2 hit
16. Actress Harmon
17. Employing
18. It is (con't)
19. Medium for clotted cream
20. Collection of wild animals
22. Racing sleds
23. Duration of life
24. Soft shell \_\_\_
26. Human with mechanical parts
30. Platitudes
34. Gruesome
35. Kweisi Mfume's org.
36. Gravestone sentiment
37. Artist Nolde
38. Direction of earth's rotation (pl.)
39. Small Chinese breed of dog
40. American Medical Association (Abbrev.)
41. Jazz clarinetist Shaw
42. Cat sound
43. Despotism
45. Grain mill
46. Spanish dollar
47. Son of a \_\_\_
48. Flower
51. Opposite of active
57. Characteristic language
58. Wing
59. Hell
60. Frequent
61. Tepid
62. Fencing swords
63. Aborigine cry
64. Signal for help
65. Manufacturer of farm equip.

## DOWN

1. Refuse
2. State of rest
3. Zip code 52320
4. Arm bone
5. Straggler
6. Wavy surface patter
7. Opposed
8. Profane
9. Old fashion streetlight
10. Nightmares
11. Eager
12. Number of feline lives
13. Golf pegs
21. \_\_\_ drop soup
25. Mythical birds of prey
26. Provides traction
27. Delicious
28. Mediterranean shrub
29. Tin Man's salve
30. Fundamental element
31. Dismal
32. Effigy
33. Vomits
35. Patriots
38. Sea eagle
39. Dessert in the sky
41. Windflower
42. Chewed loudly
44. Apex
45. In so far as
47. Chews
48. Group of nations
49. Inventory accounting method
50. Existence
52. Oil
53. To fasten
54. Institute for Democracy in Eastern Europe (Abbrev.)
55. Swerve
56. European Society for the Study of English (Abbrev.)



(C) 2002 Collegiate Presswire Features Syndicate  
http://www.cpwire.com



**Sudoku:** Number puzzle in which numbers must be fit into a 9x9 grid such that each numeral appears exactly once in each row, column and each of nine 3x3 blocks

1				4	9			
3	4							
	9	8	6					
		2		6		4		
4		3		2		6		1
	8		4			2		
				9	1	8		
						3	2	
		5	3					7

puzzle courtesy of sudokusyndication.com



## Tanning - Toning - Hair - Nails

*Always* **GREAT BEDS - GREAT TANS** *Always*  
**STUDENT SPECIALS!!**

No Appointment Necessary

**Designer Skin Special - Tan 1 Month**

# \$19.95

\*\*\*\*\*

## Full Service Hair/Nail Salon

## 1709 E. Main (Old 66 Hwy)

**Walkins Welcome 580-772-1935 Walkins Welcome**

off the mark.com by Mark Parisi



off the mark.com by Mark Parisi



off the mark.com by Mark Parisi

